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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Part B for Aug. 1930

SUBJECT

Papers relating to the placing of Mr. H. A. Crinnigan, Assistant Commissioner on special duty to study the economic and social conditions of the workmen on the Kolar Gold Field and to suggest ameliorative measures.

DEWAN'S MINUTE.

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Strike in the K.G.F

1) The immediate cause was no doubt the introduction of an elaborate system of registration of labour, the opening of a special office for the purpose, and the taking of finger impression of all labourers employed on the mines. As Col. Keith said this excited the suspicion of the cooly who thought that the Companies, too, were bent on exploiting him like the contractor and the Marwari. They resented it very strongly. There was probably another reason influencing the conduct of the labourers. They wanted to retain their present freedom of going from one contractor or mine to another and the registration would have prevented them from doing this.

2) To my mind, however, the real problem is the improvement of the social and economic condition of the labour. The labourers live in miserable huts, they have no amusements, they lead a terribly monotonous life, their only excitement being drink. They are hopelessly involved in debt. The contractors' labour particularly is badly sweated. As I explained to the representatives of the Mining Board, they must seriously consider the question of the economic and social improvement of their employees - otherwise there is no knowing when serious trouble may arise again.

(i) Housing conditions must be improved. This cannot be done, of course, all at once, but a beginning should be made as soon as possible to provide them with bigger and more comfortable huts. The rooms are hot, owing to zinc sheet roofing. Either Arcot tiles or thatch, neither of which would cost much, should be used to keep them reasonably cool. Trees should be planted to afford them shade. Each colony should have a common open ground in the centre with a temple

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and amusement hall. It is astonishing that absolutely no attempt should have been made to plant shady trees in these colonies. The trees would certainly have made life more comfortable for the cooly.

(2) As regards their indebtedness, an attempt must be made to start a number of co-operative societies, at least one for each mine, under the supervision and control of an officer from the department.

(3) The Drink evil should be tackled - and as far as possible the habit should be discouraged.

(4) The mining authorities should be induced to take step to start Welfare Centres on a generous scale - with creches and other conveniences for looking after the babies while their mothers are away at work.

(5) An experienced and capable officer may be deputed to study all these conditions, economic and social, and draw up a report, with suggestions, for the consideration of the Government and the mining authorities.

The broad fact is that labour on the mines is not happy and every effort has to be made to make it happy, and to keep it happy and contented. If that is not done, I fear troubles will arise more frequently in the future than in the past.

I am inclined to think that the Mining Companies quite realise the gravity of the problems involved and the necessity of solving them in as satisfactory a manner as possible. I have no doubt Government could rely on their whole-hearted co-operation in any reasonable measures which they may decide on to secure the objects in view.

ISSUED.

3)

28th April 1930.

4189/C.S

Encl

My dear Sir,

I enclose herewith a copy of Dewan's minute dated 28th April 1930 regarding measures for the improvement of social and economic condition of labour on the Kolar Gold Field. The Dewan thinks that Mr. M. A. Srinivasan might be deputed to study the conditions of labour and would be obliged to have your views in the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Rajakaryaprasakta Diwan Bahadur
M. N. Krishna Rao, Esqr., B.A.,
Member of Council, (Camp) Bhadravati.

.O. No. 156

4)

PUBLIC OFFICES,

Bhadravati, 29th April 193

~~Bangalore,~~

C.B.3844

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter No. C.B.4189 of the 28th instant. I quite agree that the social and economic conditions of labour on the Fields require early study and ameliorative measures should be adopted according to a well considered programme. Mr. M.A.Sreenivasan may, as proposed, be placed on special duty for a short period, say one month, to ~~x~~ study the existing position in detail and submit a plan for improving the general conditions of labour on the Fields. The relative importance and urgency of the items of work that should receive attention, might be indicated in the programme. All the essential measures should, if possible, be introduced in a period to be fixed. Mr. Sreenivasan may work under the Director of Industries & Commerce who is the Labour Commissioner.

Yours sincerely,

M Venkatarama Rao

N. Madhava Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Chief Secretary to Government.

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DEWAN'S OFFICE.
1 - MAY 1930

D. O. No.156 dated 29-4-1930

From the First Member of Council.

Proposes to place Mr.M.A.Sreenivasan on Special Duty to study & submit a report re: the social and economic conditions of labour on the Kolar Gold Fields, for a period of one month.

5) A draft letter to Mr Nye is subd for consideration

Dewan) 30/4

6) 1-5-30

To Mr. Ralph Nye.
Camp No 1 d. 1.5.30

Calls for his suggestions in the matter.

From Mr. Ralph Nye. Letter d. 6.5.30

(i) States that he is sending a Copy of our letter to the Managers in London & would forward their views on receipt.

(ii) Also suggests a personal discussion

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on Saturday or Tuesday next.

7) (Copies of these letters have been sent to Members of CI for information)

8) When I meet Mr Nye shall explain to him that only preliminary study of the contrns contemplated and it is not necessary at this stage to consult the London Managers. The appointment of a Special Officer would be unduly delayed if we had to wait until Mr Nye heard from his principals in London.

Dewan)

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9. Mr
8-5-30

10) Mr Nye saw me and Mr Ranga Rao yesterday. When the object and scope of the special duty was explained to him, he told us that the Mining Companies would heartily co-operate with the Special Officer. He said he would write in and confirm

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This is a Day or two

1) A draft now for placing Mr Srinivasan on special duty is put up for consideration.

First Member
Dewan's
Thro' Jus Secy
& Gen Secy

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13) RR 15/5/30

14) [illegible] 15/5/30

15) Jm 16-5-30

16) ku 16-5-30

17) [illegible] 16/5

11) May be disposed of at the meeting of Council on the 17th inst.

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Subject:-

Placing Mr. M.A. Srinivasan, Assistant Commissioner, on special duty for a period of one month in order to study and suggest measures for improving the economic and social condition of labourers employed in the mining industry on the Kolar Gold Field.

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18) Approved in cl.
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C.B
19) S.N and a reply to Mr Nye
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20) with Draft
21) 21/5

2) A draft submission note and a draft reply to Mr Nye with reference to his letter flagged E. are submitted for approval.

22) It is proposed to issue Memo G.O and then submit the papers to H.H. if approved

Dewan

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23) 19-5-30

19-5-30

W/ Issue mm 20/5

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To
The Comptroller Treasury FD.
The Director of ISC
The Chief Inspector of Mines
The DC. Kolar
The Registrar of Co-operative Societies
The DG. of Police
The Revenue Com
The President IAG & Sanitary Board
The Senior Surgeon
The Director of Health

4367-76/CB 171-29-1 Dt 20-5-1930

Passes Orders re. the placing of Mr M.H. Srinivasan on Special duty for a period one Months in Order to Study and Suggest Measures for improving the Economic and Social Condition of the labourers on the KGF

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To
Mr Ralph Nye

4377/CB 171-29-2 Dt 20-5-30

Forwards a copy of S1.1 for information

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Submitted to His Highness.

25) The events connected with the recent strike of workmen on the Kolar Gold Field impressed upon me that, whatever might have been the immediate cause of the trouble on the present occasion, the real problem to be tackled is that of improving the social and economic condition of the labourers. They live in miserable huts, are hopelessly involved in debt, have no amusements and lead a very monotonous life, their only excitement being drink. Every effort has to be made to keep the labour happy and contented and unless this is done, I fear troubles will arise, more frequently in the future than in the past. I spoke about this to the representatives of the Mining Board also, and I am inclined to think that the Mining Companies quite realise the gravity of the problems involved and the need for solving them in as satisfactory a manner as possible, and that we could rely on their whole-hearted co-operation in any reasonable measures which may be adopted to secure this object.

26) It is proposed to place Mr M.A.Srinivasan, Assistant Commissioner, on special duty for about a month to make a detailed study of the economic and social conditions of the workmen on the Kolar Gold Field with the help of the local officers and the Mining authorities and to submit proposals in regard to the ameliorative measures that may be adopted. The report of the special officer will on receipt be considered by Government in consultation with the Departmental Officers concerned and representatives of the Kolar Gold Field Sanitary Board and of the Mining Companies wherever necessary. The Mining Companies have offered to give all facilities to the special officer in his enquiry.

27) The accompanying draft order embodying the above proposals was informally considered in Council on the

11)

16th instant, and has been issued.

28) The papers are submitted for the gracious perusal of His Highness.

Mirza M. Ismail

Bangalore,
19th May 1930.

D E W A N.

12)

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Papers relating to the placing of Mr.M.A.Srinivasan, Assistant Commissioner, on special duty to study the economic and social conditions of the workmen on the Kolar Gold Field and to suggest ameliorative measures.

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Order.

29) KRM
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General and Revenue Secretariat

Papers relating to the placing of Mr. M.A. Srinivasan, Asst. Comr. on Special duty to study the economic and Social conditions of the workmen on the Kolar Gold Field and to suggest amelioration measures.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at Headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders before/after issue of orders. (*Vide* Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

Chief Secretary to Government.

Through the Secretary to Government,

.....Department.

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FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL. 30/5/30

SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL. (on tour)

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THIRD MEMBER OF COUNCIL. 30/5/30

30/30 Secretary with Complts for perusal

31) Returned with thanks. 31/5/30

Ch. Secy with (Complts)

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32) M. M. A. Srinivasan saw me today in connection with his investigation on the K. G. F. area. In the course of conversation, he said that the audit office did not quite know whether his salary should be during the period of his employment as Inquiry Officer.

33) I understand that he is now getting Rs. 575 p.m as follows:—

Pay	450
Dat allowce	75
Conveyance allowce	50
	575

34) He may be permitted to draw the amount. He may also be permitted to claim the usual t.a. for his journeys to Kgf & his stay there.

Ch. Sec. with corrects

RG 4/6/13

33) X

Or in the alternative, he may be given a deputation allowce of 25 p.c. of his pay & asked to treat Kgf as his H.Q. during his

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Emoluments of Mr. M. A. Srinivasan during deputn

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36) Mr. Srinivasan's Special Duty is fixed at one month.

Two points for order are :—
(i) His headquarters during the period
(ii) Extra emoluments — Deputn allowce.

37) Under Art. 55 of the M.S.R., a "deputation duty" or "deputation local" allowance, can be given whether the headquarters is ~~changed or not~~ Bangalore or K.G.F. If the headquarters is fixed as Bangalore, he will get T.A. for journeys to, and halts at, K.G.F., in addition to the deputation allowance. If the headquarters is fixed as K.G.F. he will get only the Deputn allowance that may be sanctioned.

38) Re: the amount of Deputn allowance admissible, ~~allowed~~ the officer can be given, in addition to his "pay or Salary which he is drawing at the time of deputation", ~~the allowance~~ an allowance of 20% of Salary (or more with special Sanction). Whether the Duty and Conveyance allowances drawn by him as Asst. Comptr will be taken as included in "Salary" for this purpose, is doubtful. The Fin Secy. may perhaps be Consulted.

Enlnd
4/6/30

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7 JUNE 1930

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DEWAN'S OFFICE. 5237 11 JUN 1930

(40) Separate action to be taken to execute the Sanad for which Mrs Esplin is the next

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69) Mr Srinivasan may be allowed to draw his present emoluments and given T.A for journeys and halts at M.G.T., Bangalore being treated as his head quarters.

For seen
Gen seen

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RG 9/6/30

41) Subs for orders
First Member ✓
Dewan ✓

mm 10/6

11/6/30

42) 11-6-30

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43) Submitted for a draft G.O. for approval

CBN 12/6/30

44) Draft mm 12/6

Draft Hand Rec'd.

12/6

14.6.30

CHIEF SECRETARY 12 JUNE 1930

R-Cent C. 92 dt 12/6/30

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To
The Comptroller Kraneja Financial Sectt.
The Deputy Commissioner Kolar District
Mr. M. A. Srinivasan
4612-4/ CB. 171-29-6 dy 13-6-1930.
Directs that during the period of the Special duty at the K.G.F, Mr M.A.Srinivasan be allowed to draw the emoluments which he is drawing at present as Assistant Comptroller and that Bangalore be treated as his headquarters, he being given the T.A & ~~halting~~ daily allowance for the journeys and halts at the K.G.F.

From Mr. Ralph Rye
Letter d. 11. 6. 80
Suggests that Mr. M A Srinivasan may ~~be~~ resume his work in August next, as he (Mr Rye) would return from England by then.

To Mr. Ralph Rye
No. 4278 d. 17. 6. 80
Intimates that the proposals of Mr. Srinivasan would be taken up for final Consideration only on Mr Rye's return in August.

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Letter d. 12th June 1930 from Mr. M A Srinivasan.

Reports the result of his interview with ~~Mr~~ Mr. Ralph Nye

Genl Secy's Orders:-

46) "C.B. Please put up the file of Mr. Srinivasan's appt. Also a letter received by the Chief Secy. from Mr. Nye on this subject"

(Sd) R. R. 16/6.

47) Papers submd.

CB 17/6/30

(Genl Secy)

48) Mr. Nye's letter as also that of Mr. M. A. Srinivasan are subd. for perusal.

60 52 / 18 H P Sec'y D

49) Mr. M. A. Srinivasan seems to suggest an extension of his deputation. This is, I think, wholly unnecessary. He ought to be with his work now & complete it within the time allowed to him. He may however keep back his report till after the return of Mr. Nye when he may need the help for three or four days to make the necessary changes & submit the final report to Govt.

✓ Dewan Sahib

RB 19/6/30

Ch. Secy.

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50) 21-6-30 RB 21/6/30

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51) Submitted with a draft for approval
CBR
25/6/30)

52) CBR
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25/6/30.

14. To.
Mr M.A Srinivasan
4859 /CB 171-29-14 dt 26.6.30.
States that he may proceed with his work and complete it within the allotted time, that only a provisional report need be drawn up and that a final report might be submitted after meeting Mr Nye.

Copy to the D.C. Kolar
4860/CB dt 26.6.30

53) It is learnt that Mr. M.A Srinivasan was relieved in the Comptroller's office on the afternoon of 5th June 1930. In G.O. d. 13.6.30 Bangalore is declared to be his headquarters and so his special duty should be taken as commencing from 6.6.30. The sanctioned period of one month expired on 5.7.30 but no report has

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	so far been received of his having re-joined in the Comptroller's office.
A	54) In a letter d. 12th June 30 (a day earlier than the date of the G.O. fixing Bangalore as his headquarters) Mr. Srinivasan stated that he saw the Dy. Com'r at Kolar on the 11th & reported himself that day forenoon.
	55) A doubt may arise as to the date from which he is to be deemed to be on special duty & if this is to be taken as 11th how the intervening period is to be treated. No reference has been received from Mr Srinivasan in the matter
	56) We may wait till the Qn arises. The file may be put up in due course. RD 11-7-30 — Gpd 10/7/30 — Gen Secy
	57) Submd. to Chief Secy. for perusal Gpd 14/7 — Mer 12/7
	58) Returned. [redacted] — Gpd 14/7
	59) We may wait for a copy of [redacted] RD 15/7/30

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~~Mr. M. A. Srinivasan's deputation to Kgt.~~

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60) 2 - do - not remember having had any. reply about- ter. M. a. Srinivasan having Completed his work. If not, please ask the D.C., Kolar -

RG
17/7/30 —

61) Previous papers are put up. No report has been received so far.

62) Draft to D.C. Kolar —

GJR
17/7/30)

63) Please submit to Ch-Sy Secy (Rev) for the Secy

RG
17/7/30

64) Issue
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	To The Deputy Commissioner Kolar 403/C13-171-29 dt 18-7-30. Requests to be furnished with a report as to whether Mr M A Srinivasan has completed his Work etc.
	From The Deputy Commissioner Kolar C1-C 3081/29-30 dt 25-7-30. Requests sanction to the extension of the term of deputation of Mr M A Srinivasan by another month making in the aggregate two months from 11-6-1930 and to the extension of the term of the establishment. (5) Submitted for orders. 6) Mr Srinivasan was relieved in the Comptroller's Office on 5th June 1930 (afternoon) and reported himself to the D.C. Kolar, on duty on 11th June 1930. 7) The D.C. requests sanction to the extension of the term of deputation of Mr Srinivasan by another month viz 2 months from 11-6-1930. 8) It is for orders as to how the period from 6-6-1930 to 10-6-30 both days inclusive, has to be treated. (Gr G.O.d 13.6.30 Bangalore is fixed as his headquarters) 9) The communication is addressed to the Revenue Secretary.

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70) The term of Mr Srinivasan's deputation may be extended up to 11th August as proposed by the Dy Comm.

71) The plan of investigation outlined by Mr Srinivasan seems to be rather ambitious but it need not be interfered with, if he is confident of being able to complete the work before the expiry of the extended period.

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31 JUL 1930
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Nil
First Member ✓ 28/7.
Dewan ✓
Through Dewan
& Gen Secy.

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~~Secretary~~

72) The last time Rao M. A. Srinivasan saw me (about a week or ten days ago) he gave me the impression that he required a week at the most to finish his work. However the term may be extended as proposed by the Chief Secretary.

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RJ
29/7/30

73) I agree that the term may be extended. Mr Srinivasan's scheme of enquiry seems to me an admirable one, and as he has already made some progress with it, he may I think

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	be allowed time to complete his work even if it shd mean a further extension. I doubt if the work could be finished within the term now proposed, and if it is worth doing thoroughly
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	31-7-30
	74) Please put up off
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	75) Submitted with a draft of a G.O. for approval
	4/8 (Chief Secy)
	76) Issue 4/8
	77) Subnd. to Dev. Secy. & Gen. Secs. for perusal.
	4/8/30
	6-8 30
	78) Draft Heim hereto for financial Secy's perusal before communication
	6/8

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Subnd. to Chief Secs for perusal
CPR 2/8 (Country chiefs)

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To

The Comptroller to Govt Ukrah T.D. & D.C. Kolar

616-7/CB. 171-8-18 Dy 5.8.30.

Sanctions the extension of the term of the deputation of Mr MA Srinivasan and of the establishment under him up to 11-8-30.

Sd

From

The Deputy Commissioner Kolar District

C.I.C 318 i/29-30 Dy 10-8-30

Requests sanction to the extension of the Special duty of Mr MA Srinivasan, at the K.G.F. and his establishment till the 11th of August 1930 inclusive

Submitted with a draft of a G.O. sanctioning, for Approval or other Orders

CSR 13/8

Nil 13/8.

First Member

Dewan

Through Jun Sec ✓

& Gen Sec

13/8/30

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Nil 14.8.30

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	Financial Secr. has agreed.
	Drafting Instr. issue.
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WD 02553—G PB—50,000—8-7 30

(Camp) Bhadravati,

Camp No.1/C.B. dated, 1st MAY 1930.

Dear Sir,

In view of recent events, it seems desirable to arrange, at an early date, for a detailed study of the social and economic conditions of the workmen employed in the mining industry on the Kolar Gold Field. His Highness' Government, therefore, propose to depute a special officer for this purpose and would be glad to be favoured with your suggestions in the matter. All that would be required of the Special Officer at present would be to study the existing state of things and to suggest any measures of a practical nature that might be undertaken to improve the economic and living conditions of the workmen, so that the possibility of labour trouble in future might be minimised. The Special Officer's proposals, when received, will be considered by Government in consultation with the Management of the Mining Companies, the Sanitary Board and other authorities concerned. The object in view being one in which the Mining Companies are interested, equally with the Government, I am to express the hope that the Management of the Companies will be able to give the Special Officer any facilities required for his work.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- N. Madhava Rao,

Ralph Nye, Esq.,
Executive Member,
Messrs. John Taylor & Sons Committee,
Kolar Gold Fields.

Memo No. Camp 2/C.B. Dated, Bangalore the 1st May 1930.

Copy of the above is forwarded with compliments to the

Deputy

Commissioner, Kolar District,

By Order,

Chief Secretary to Government.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED
TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—
"COMMITTEE OORGAUM."

MESSRS. JOHN TAYLOR & SONS' COMMITTEE.
OORGAUM.
SOUTH INDIA.

May. 6. 1930.

CB 3904

N. Madhava Rao, Esq.,B.A.,B.L.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

Dear Sir,

I am duly in receipt of your D.O.letter 1/C.B. dated Camp Bhadravati 1st May and I propose to forward a copy to the Managers in London by this mail. In the ordinary course I should receive a reply in five weeks' time but if Government are anxious to hear from the Mining Companies earlier than this I could ask London to cable immediately on receipt of my letter in three weeks' time.

I trust that this will be agreeable to Government and in the meantime I may mention that the Mining Companies in full realisation of the urgency of some of the problems with which they are confronted have already initiated certain enquiries bearing on the subject at issue the fruits of which should be available at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

Executive Member.

A.R.

REPUBLICAN JOHN TAYLOR 8 SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

[illegible]

[illegible] Dec. 1923.

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Enclosure referred to in the Government of Lycoro,
[illegible]

Dear Sir,

I am duly in receipt of your D.C.letter 1/C.
dated 3 Dy Ecclesiastes 1ec. 4y and I propose to forward a copy
to the Secretary in London by this mail. In the ordinary course
I should receive a reply in five weeks' time but if Government
are endeavouring to hear from the Linking Committee earlier than this
I could ask London to cable immediately on receipt of my letter
in three weeks' time.

I trust that this will be agreeable to
you. Meanwhile may in the meantime I may mention that the Linking
Committee in full realization of the urgency of some of the
problems with which they are confronted have already initiated
certain enquiries pointing on the subject at issue the fruits
of which should be available at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

Executive Member.

MESSRS. JOHN TAYLOR & SONS' COMMITTEE

OORGAUM,
SOUTH INDIA.

May. 6. 1930.

CB.3905

Dear Mr.Madhava Rao,

With reference to your D.O.letter Camp 1/C.B. Bhadravati dated the 1st instant and my letter of to-day's date I think it would help matters if I could come and see you in Bangalore and have a talk on the situation in general. If this is agreeable to you I could come in any day you like next week and I would suggest Tuesday (to-day week) for choice or even Saturday of this week if you prefer it.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

N.Madhava Rao, Esq.,B.A.,B.L.,

Chief Secretary to the Govt.of Mysore,

Bangalore.

7th May 1930.

4260/C.S.

Dear Mr. Nye,

Subject. - Deputation of a Special Officer for studying the social and economic conditions of the workmen employed in the mining industry on the Kolar Gold Field.

I am in receipt of your lettersdated 6th instant on the above subject. I shall be glad to talk the matter over with you either on Saturday or Tuesday next, according to your convenience.

Yours sincerely,

NVZ

Ralph Nye, Esqr.,
Executive Member,
Messrs. John Taylor & Sons Committee,
Oorgaum, K.G.F.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE ADDRESSED
TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER.
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:-
"COMMITTEE OORGAUM."

D.O.

MESSRS. JOHN TAYLOR & SONS' COMMITTEE,
OORGAUM,
SOUTH INDIA.

May. 16. 1930.

C.B.4026

Dear Sir,

In further reference to your D.O.letter No.1/C.B. dated the 1st instant and following upon the interview which you were kind enough to give me on Tuesday last the 13th instant I confirm that a copy of your letter had already been sent to Messrs John Taylor & Sons, London, and I will inform you of their views as soon as I hear from them.

In the meantime and in order to meet Government's wishes whereby there should be no delay I have pleasure in informing you that the Mining Companies will be glad to welcome the Officer who it is proposed to appoint to study the social and economic conditions of labour on the Field on the mutual understanding that there will be consultation and exchange of ideas regarding any suggestions which the Officer may desire to make.

If you can kindly inform me as soon as the appointment is made I suggest the desirability of his meeting me soon for a preliminary talk and I should be available for that purpose at any time.

Yours sincerely,

Executive Member

N.Madhava Rao.,Esq.,B.A.,B.L.,
Chief Secretary to the
Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

A.R.

Proceedings of the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

ORDER NO. 4367-76/CA 171-29-1

DATED, BANGALORE THE 20th MAY 193

Government are pleased to place Mr. M.A. Srinivasan, B.A., Assistant Commissioner on special duty for a period of one month in order to study and suggest measures for improving, the economic and social condition the labourers employed in the mining industry on the Kolar Gold Field. The Management of the Mining Companies have offered to give the Special Officer all possible ~~facilities for the work~~ help and the Officers of the Departments concerned and of the K.G.F. Sanitary Board are requested to co-operate with the Special Officer in the performance of the work entruste to him.

2. Mr. Srinivasan will work under the genera guidance of the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District, through whom he will submit his reports to Government ~~(on the progress of the work from time to time.)~~ His final proposals with the Deputy Commissioner's opinion thereon will be considered by Government in consultatio where necessary with the Heads of Departments concerned, the K.G.F. Sanitary Board and the

Management

Financial Secretary has been informed in this regard.

R. Cons. 984-76/19.5.30

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Issue

21.5.30

Communicated

~~Management of the Companies.~~

Chief Secretary to Government.

To

The Comptroller to Government, through Finl.Sectt.

" Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore.

" Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.

" Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

" Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Mysore.

" Inspector General of Police in Mysore.

" Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

" President, K.G.F. Sanitary Board.

" Senior Surgeon

.. ~~Sanity~~. Director of Health.

Copy to the Executive Member, Messrs. John Taylor and Sons' Committee, with a covering letter.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

ORDER NO. 9367-78/ C.B.171-29-1

DATED, BANGALORE THE 20th MAY 1930.

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Lakshmanayappa.
for CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

The Comptroller to Government, through Fin.Secty.
" Director of Industries & Commerce in Mysore.
" Chief Inspector of Mines in Mysore.
" Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.
" Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Mysore.
" Inspector General of Police in Mysore.
" Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
" President, K.G.F. Sanitary Board
" Senior Surgeon in Mysore.
" Director of Health in Mysore.

20th May 1930.

4377/C.S.171-9-2
Encl)

Dear Sir,

I write to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter dated the 16th May 1930, intimating that the Mining Companies would be glad to welcome the officer proposed to be appointed to study the social and economic conditions of labour on the Field.

As I informed you already, it is the intention of Government that the Special Officer should exchange ideas with the representative of the Mining Companies in respect of any proposals affecting the Companies, that he may submit

A copy of the Government Order issued to-day appointing the Special Officer is also enclosed herein for your information.

Yours sincerely,

Ralph Nye, Esq.,
Executive Member,
Messrs. John Taylor & Sons' Committee, Oorgaum.

Fair draft

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TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER.
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:-
"COMMITTEE OORGAUM."

MESSRS. JOHN TAYLOR & SONS' COMMITTEE,
OORGAUM,
SOUTH INDIA.

D.O.

CS-4077

May 21. 1930.

CS 171-29-3.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your D.O.letter No.4377/C.B. 171-29 dated the 20th instant enclosing copy of Government's order appointing a Special Officer Mr.M.A.Srinivasan, B.A., and for which I am much obliged.

Yours sincerely,

Executive Member.

N.Madhava Rao, Esq.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dear Sir,

I write to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter ~~of yesterday's~~ of 16.5.1930 ~~date~~ intimating that the Mining Companies would be glad to welcome the officer proposed to be appointed to study the social and economic conditions of labour on the Field.

As I informed you already, it is the intention of Government that the Special Officer should exchange ideas with the representative of the Mining Companies in respect of any proposals affecting the Companies, that he may submit.

Yours sincerely,

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Ralph Nye, Esqr.,
Executive Member,
Messrs. John Taylor & Sons' Committee,
Oorgaum, K. G. F.

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D. O. No. CC. 26/29. 3 to
Enc: Orig.

Ask Mr Srinivasan to please see me
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(written to)
Achon talked -

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
KOLAR DISTRICT.

Dated, Kolar, the 29th May *1930.*

Dear Mr. Madhava Rao,

I enclose herewith a copy of Mr. Ralph Nye's letter of the 28th May 1930 stating that he is proceeding to England on a quick visit in about a fortnight's time. The Special Officer -- appointed for the study of the Economic and Social conditions of the labourer on the Field has not yet reported himself for duty - here. I beg to suggest that it would greatly facilitate solution of the question if the study is conducted in close consultation with Mr. Nye, who is the coordinating officer for all the Mines. Now that Mr. Nye proposes to go to England soon, I beg to suggest that the period of special duty may be made to commence after the return of Mr. Nye from England. Should the Government however - think that the work has to be started at once, instructions may kindly be issued to Mr. Srinivasan to report himself for duty here as early as possible. I solicit early instructions of Government in the matter

Yours sincerely,

To

N. MADHAVA RAO, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Chief Secretary to Government of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

D.O. letter dated 28th May 1930 from Mr. Ralph Nye,
Executive Member, Messrs: John Taylor & Sons'
Committee, to the Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

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Mr. A. T. Burgess will hand you this letter and will explain that I am proceeding to England on a quick visit in connection with the Mining Companies' affairs in abou a fortnight's time. According to the Gazette Notice of the 20th instant, Mr. M. A. Srinivasan, B.A., Assistant Commissioner, has been appointed to study the economic and Social conditions of labour on the Field under your general guidance and I hope that it will be possible to arrange and appointment with yourself or him to have a preliminary discussion early next week.

I am leaving for Ooty today returning on Saturday otherwise I would have given myself the pleasure of calling upon you.

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Copy.

Proceedings of the Govt of H.H.
the Maharaja of Mysore

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Read

G.O. No 4367-76/CB 171-29-1 dt 20th May 1930 placing Mr M. A. Srinivasan B.A., Assistant Commissioner on Special duty for a period of one month to Study labour Conditions on the K.G.F.

4612-4/CB 171-29-6
Order No dt 13/6/30

Govt are pleased to direct that during the period of ~~leave~~ Special duty referred to above, Mr M. A Srinivasan be allowed to draw the emoluments which he is drawing at present as Assistant Comptroller.

Bangalore will be treated as his headquarters and he will be given T. A. for the journeys made to the K.G.F and back and also daily allowances for the halts at the place.

Chief Secretary to Govt

P.T.O.

To

The Comptroller & Gat. Stores T.D.

The Deputy Commissioner Stores.

Mr. M.A. Srinivasan.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Read :—

Government Order No.4367-76/C.B.171-29-1, dated 20th May 1930, placing Mr. M.A. Srinivasan, B.A., Assistant Commissioner on Special Duty for a period of one month to study labour conditions on the Kolar Gold Fields.

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Order No. 4612-4 / C.B. 171-29-6

Dated, Camp Mysore 13th June 1930.

Government are pleased to direct that during the period of Special Duty referred to above, Mr. M.A. Srinivasan be allowed to draw the emoluments which he is drawing at present as Assistant Comptroller.

Bangalore will be treated as his Headquarters and he will be given Travelling Allowances for the journeys made to the Kolar Gold Fields and back and also daily Allowance for the halts at the place.

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For Chief Secretary to Government.

To

The Comptroller to Government, through the Financial Secretariat.

The Deputy Commissioner, Kolar.District.

Mr. M.A. Srinivasan.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Read:-

Government Order No. 4367-76/C.B. 171-29-1 dated 20th May 1930 placing Mr. M. A. Srinivasan, Assistant Commissioner on special duty for a period of one month to study the labour conditions on the Kolar Gold Field.

2. Government Order No. 4599-4601/C.B. 171-29-5 dated 10th June 1930 sanctioning the entertainment of a Stenographer on Rs. 50/- per mensem to work under Mr. Srinivasan during the period of his special duty.

3. Government Order No. 616-7/C.B. 171-29-18 dated 5th August 1930 sanctioning the extension of the term of deputation of Mr.Srinivasan and of the establishment under him up to 11th August 1930.

4. Letter No. C.1.C.3081/29-30 dated 10th August 1930 from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar, requesting, in the circumstances explained, sanction to the further extension of the term of Mr.Srinivasan's special duty and of the establishment under him till the 24th August 1930 inclusive.

ORDER NO. 778-9/C.B. 171-29-19

DATED, BANGALORE THE 15TH AUGUST 1930.

S A N C T I O N E D.

D.Subbarayappa

For Chief Secretary to Government.

To

The Comptroller to Government,
through Financial Secretariat.

* Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

D/ 10-8-1930 from the D.C. Kolar requesting, in the circumstances explained, sanction to the further extension of the term of ~~the~~ special duty ~~Special duty~~ of Mr. Sinivasa Sastri and of the establishment under him till the 24-8-1930 inclusive.

Order 778-9 D/ 15/8/30.
C.S. 171-29-19

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Chief Secretary to Govt.

The Comptroller through S.D.
The D.C. Kolar

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File No. 171-29

Serial No. 19

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Date of issue 15/8/30

Signed by Dy. D. C. Subbarayappa

Read –

G.O. No 4367-76/ GB 171-29-1 Dt 26-5-1930 placing Mr M.A. Srinivasan Asst. Commissioner on Special duty for a period of one month to Study the labour Conditions on the K.G.F.

2) G.O. No 4599-4601 / GB-171-29-5 Dt 10-6-30 sanctioning the entertainment of a Stenographer on Rs 50/- p.m. to work under Mr Srinivasan during the period of his Special duty.

~~Order Thereon No.~~

3) G.O. No 616-7 / GB 171-29-18 Dt 5-8-30 sanctioning the extension of the term of deputation of Mr Srinivasan and of the establishment under him upto 11-8-1930.

4) Letter No. C.I.C 3081/29-30

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In all future correspondence please quote this No. C.I.C.3081/29-30.
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
KOLAR DISTRICT.

Dated, Kolar, the 10th August *1930.*

FROM

A. V. RAMANATHAN, ESQ., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

CB 524

To

R. RANGA RAO, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE,
General *Department,*
Bangalore.

CB. 171-29-

SIR,

With reference to Government Order No: 616-7/CB.17-19-18 dated 4/5th August 1930, sanctioning the extension of the term of Mr. M. A. Srinivasan, on Special duty in the Kolar Gold Field till the 11th August 1930, I have the honor to state that Mr. Srinivasan saw me yesterday at Kolar by appointment and showed me the progress he had made and also the statistics which have been received from Messrs: John Taylor & Sons Committee only on the 8th instant.

I have just taken charge of this District. Mr. C. E. Suryanarayana Rao, the new Chief Inspector of Mines also arrived from South Africa only on the 5th instant & took charge of his post. Mr. Srinivasan has not had time yet to discuss the various questions with him and take his views on the various matters in the light of Mr. Suryanarayana Rao's study in South Africa. Further, Mr. Nye who went to England in June is returning to the Field only on the 17th of this month. (Vide also Mr. Srinivasan's letter No:2 dated 12th June 1930 to your address). It would be necessary to allow at least a week after that date to enable Mr. Srinivasan to discuss the various questions with Mr. Nye, after Mr. Nye has had time to settle down on arrival.

I request therefore that Mr. Srinivasan's special duty may kindly be extended till the 24th of August 1930 inclusive, by which date Mr. Srinivasan will complete the report and submit it to me for submission to Government. This will also give sufficient time

for

me to discuss with Mr. Srinivasan ~~xx~~ his several conclusions.

~~The term of sanction of his staff may be suitably extended.~~

I have the honor to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Read:-

Government Order No. 4367-76/C.B. 171-29-1 dated 20th May 1930, placing Mr. M. A. Srinivasan, Assistant Commissioner on Special Duty for a period of one month to study the labour conditions on the Kolar Gold Fields.

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3. Letter No. C.1.-C.3081/29-30 dated 25th July 1930 from the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar requesting in the circumstances mentioned sanction to the extension of the term of deputation of Mr.Srinivasan and of the establishment under him up to 11th August 1930.

ORDER NO. 616-7/C.B.171-29-1.

DATED, BANGALORE, THE 4TH AUGUST 1930.

SANCTIONED.

Seshavarayappa

For Chief Secretary to Government.

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To

The Comptroller to Government,
through Financial Secretariat.

Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

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ORDER NO. 616-7/C.B. 171-29-18

DATED, BANGALORE, THE 4TH AUGUST 1930.

SANCTIONED.

For Chief Secretary to Government.

To

The Comptroller to Government,
through Financial Secretariat.

" Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

TSR.

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Diary No. of letter replied to.....

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue.....5th August 1930.

Signed by.....D. S. Subbarayappa.

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File No. 171-29

Serial No. 18

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

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~~Order Thereon No.~~

~~3) G.O. No 4612-4/CB. 171-29-6 dt 13-6-1930 [illegible] sanctioning~~ the payment of the T.A for the journeys made to the K.G.F and back and also daily allowance for the halts at the place, to Mr Srinivasan

Schools (for the Indian labour population)

Night Schools.

Mine Panchayats and Panchayat Courts.

The Humanitarian League and other such Societies.

The Rescue Station

Oorgaum Dairy.

Infant Welfare Centres.

Pawn Shops.

Bazaars, Meat stalls, Grainshops Etc

Tea shops, Messes Etc.,

Taverns) for consumption of Opium and Ganja.
"Madatkhanas")

Bhajana Shalas, Temples, Mosques Etc.,

I have by invitation interviewed the following gentlemen and am expecting to see several more of the local men of experience and influence.

Messrs.

1. O. V. Rajagopal Naidu, M.L.C., Contractor, Champion Reef.
2. Rao Bahadur Madhure Pillai, Contractor, Champion Reef.
3. M. G. Shama Rao, Pleader, Bowringpet.
4. K. Rajagopala Rao, B.A., B.L., Advocate, Robertsonpet.
5. Seetharama Naidu, Contractor, Balghat.
6. K.Chengalaraya Reddi, B.A., B.L., Kyasamballi.
7. C. Kannan, Contractor, Nandidroog.
8. Abdul Kareem, Contractor, Nandidroog.
9. V. Armugam, Oorgaum.

I have also had several meetings and discussions not only with the local officers, but with several officers of the Mines. I have requested some important information from the Mining Companies in forms prepared by me with their co-operation. The Statistics have been promised in about a week and should prove of immense interest.

Some statistics are awaited from the Excise Officer and the Munsiff, K.G.F. They are also expected shortly.

After ~~all~~ this information is received the draft report will be prepared and kept ready. Mr. Ralph Nye is expected in a couple of weeks, and after a discussion with him the final report could be submitted to Government.

I beg to state that I have been going on with the work as fast as I possibly can, consistent with the importance of the study and the need for comprehensiveness as well as accuracy.

Some of the Mining authorities are now sympathetic, and it is

14. Indebtedness.

15. Relief of Indebtedness.
Co-operative Societies.

16. The Health of the Community.
Food, Milk, Meat Etc.,
Vital Statistics Etc.,
Sanitary measures Etc.,

17. Medical Relief.
Accidents.
Diseases.
First aid and ambulance.

18. Workmen's Compensation-
Industrial and Occupational Diseases.

19. Infant and Maternal Welfare.

20. Other Welfare Work.
The Industrial environment.
Conditions of work places.
Resting places and places for meals Etc., etc.,

Extra-mural welfare.
Canteens
Messes and Hotels Etc.,
Parks, Play-grounds Etc.,
Mental and Moral Welfare.
The use of leisure.
Reading Rooms Etc.,
Cinemas Etc.,
Bhajanas Lectures Plays- Temples, Churches, Mosques-
Provident Fund Etc.,

21. Industrial Conciliation.
Question of a Trade Union - Machinery for representation of labour views - collective bargaining. - Improvement of conditions- Work Councils etc., etc.,

I have spent a good deal of time in the various Cooly lines with the co-operation of the Mines authorities, and have taken the opportunity to make a careful study of family budgets of the different types of labour. I enclose a sample form of a family budget devised by me. Though it takes anything between 75 minutes to 2 hours to prepare each budget with a reasonable degree of accuracy, such a study appeared to me to be most valuable for an appreciation of the actual living conditions of the community, their indebtedness, drunkenness, and many other aspects of their daily life. Nearly fifty such budgets have been prepared.

Part of the labour lives outside the Mining area, in 'Cooly Colonies' in Oorgaum, Robertsonpet, Masikam Etc., and even in the outlying villages. These have also been visited.

Several visits have been made underground in order to observe the work and the working conditions there. The following are among the other places or institutions visited.

All the Hospitals and dispensaries-

In all future correspondence please quote this
No. C1-C-3081/29-30.
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
KOLAR DISTRICT.

Dated, Kolar, the 25th July 1930.

FROM B.Narayanaswamy Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
~~AXXXRAMANATHAN,XEsqXXBXA.,~~
Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

To N.Rama Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE,
Development *Department,*
Bangalore.

SIR,

Special duty Officer - Kolar Gold Field - study of Labour conditions - extension of term of -

Referring to Government Order No.4367-76/C.B.171-29-1 dated the 20th May 1930 deputing Mr.M.A.Srinivasan on Special duty to study the labour conditions on the Kolar Gold Fields, I have the honour to forward herewith a note by Mr.Srinivasan indicating the lines on which he has initiated enquiry with a view to gather material for the report to be submitted by him and to state that the programme was drawn up in consultation with me and that in my opinion the details embodied are necessary to arrive at a correct evaluation of the present condition of labour on the Field.

2. The Field of enquiry is necessarily extensive and requires time and labour and the work could not be completed within a period of one month. Mr.Srinivasan has collected a lot of information and is engaged in putting the same into proper shape. This would take some more time and I therefore request you to be so good as to obtain sanction of Government to the extension of the term of deputation of Mr.Srinivasan by another month making in the aggregate two months from the 11th June 1930, the date he joined duty here. The term of the establishment may also be correspondingly extended.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Narayanaswamy Iyengar
~~Treasury Assistant Commissioner~~,
~~For~~ Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.
(~~Absent from station~~).

A.R.25/7/30.

C.B.346.
C.B.171-29-17

Confidential,
&
Immediate.

Dear Mr. Narayanaswami Iyengar,

The period of Mr. M.A.Srinivasan's special duty (for one month) sanctioned in G.O. No.4367/C.B.171-29-1 dated 20th May 1930 expired some time ago, but Govt. have so far no information as to whether he has completed his work, nor has any application been received for an extension of the period of special duty with reasons therefor ~~will you kindly let me have a line by wire~~

I am desired to request you to kindly obtain and forward immediately a report of the work done by him ~~with explanation for overstaying the sanctioned period.~~

Will you kindly let me have a report in the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Secy.

Copy & confirmed 17/7/30 RG

B.Narayanaswami Iyengar, Esqr., B.A., B.L.,
~~Offg~~. Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

IMMEDIATE &
CONFIDENTIAL.

No 403/CS 171-29 18th July 0.

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The period of Mr. M. A. Srinivasan's special duty (for one month) sanctioned in Government Order No. 4367/C.B. 171-29-1 dated 20th May 1930 expired some time ago, but Government have so far no information as to whether he has completed his work, nor has any application been received for an extension of the period of special duty with reasons therefor. Will you kindly let me have a report in the matter?

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- N. Madhava Rao.

B. Narayanaswami Iyengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

Memo No. 404/CS Dated, Bangalore the 18th July 1930.

Copy of the above is forwarded with compliments to the Comptroller to Government.

By Order,

Chief Secretary to Government.

Fair draft

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CB 171-29-14

25th June 30.

Dear Mr. Srinivasan,

With reference to your D. O. letter No. 2 of the 12th instan I am desired to state that you may proceed with your work and complete it within the allotted time.

I am to add that only a provisional report need be drawn up now. You may meet Mr. Ralph Nye for three or four days after his return from England and submit a final report to Government after making any changes that may be found necessary in the light of your discussions with Mr. Nye.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- R. Ranga Rao.

M. A. Srinivasan, Esq., B.A.,
Assistant Commissioner on special duty,
Guest House, Oorgaum.

Memo No. 4860/C.B. Dated, Bangalore the 25th June 1930.

Copy of the above is forwarded with compliments to the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District.

By Order,

26/6/30.

General Secretary to Government.

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Fair draft

CB 4360

M. A. SREENIVASAN,
MYSORE CIVIL SERVICE.

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The Guest House,
Oorgaum, Dated 18th Jun. '30.

CB 171-29-11

Dear Sir,

I have received copies of the Government Orders (1) sanctioning a Stenographer on Rs. 50/- to assist me during the period of my special duty and (2) fixing my emoluments and Head-quarters. I am grateful to you for your kindness in obtaining orders on these matters so promptly.

Yours Sincerely,

M A Sreenivasan

To

R. Ranga Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
General Department,
Bangalore.

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D 26/6/30

Dear Mr. Srinivasan,

With reference to your D.O. letter No. 2 of the 12th instant, I am desired to state that you may proceed with your work and complete it within the allotted time.

Subj. to approval.

I am to add that only a provisional report need be drawn up now. You may meet Mr. Ralph Nye for three or four days after his return from England and submit a final report to Government after making any changes that may be found necessary in the light of your discussions with Mr. Nye. Government do not consider it necessary to extend the period of your deputation

Yours sincerely,

25/6/30

M. A. Srinivasan, Esq., B.A.,
Asst. Commissioner on special dut
Guest House, Oorgaum.

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D 26/6/30 Copy to the Deputy Commr. Kolar.

D.O. No 1
29-30.

Oorgaum,

Dated, the 12th June 1930.

Dear Sir,

I met the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District at Kolar, and reported myself to him yesterday forenoon. He was kind enough to lend me the connected files for study, and has also placed a typist of his office at my disposal for the time being.

In the afternoon I met Mr. Ralph Nye here by appointment and had an interesting hour and a half with him.

Mr. Nye said, among other things, that it was rather unfortunate that he should have been suddenly called away now by cable when even the permanent Secretary to the Committee was away on leave, and just at the time I was starting my enquiries. He said he should have liked to have been here when I was studying conditions and that he would particularly like to discuss the various questions fully and frankly with me before I formed any final impressions or made any important suggestions. He was now going to London to discuss with the authorities there some of the very questions I would be studying and he thought that it would be an advantage if we could talk things over after his return. I understood him to say that he had mentioned these things to the Dewan Saheb at his last interview and that the Dewan Saheb had also agreed with him about the general desirability of such a course of procedure.

I thought I should write and tell you about this, and am sure you will pardon me for the length of this letter.

Meanwhile, Mr. Nye has no objection to my studying the conditions, making preliminary enquiries, collecting all the information and statistics that I can. I learn that since the last strike his Committee have set afoot several enquiries into matters such as Wages, manner of their payment, sick pay etc., Mr. Nye agreed to let me have all such information that has been collected as could be made available. He said one of these Committees set up would be able to give up-to-date information re: the wages of the several classes of labour throughout the Field in about a month or so. He also offered

offered specially to tell his Officers to give me such help as I might require.

I am studying the connected files and will be meeting the Superintendents and other Officers of the Mines by appointment tomorrow.

Mr. Nye is leaving this on the 18th instant

I am sorry I could not get the Secretariat file about the recent events here before the Secretariat moved to Mysore. I fear it would be too much trouble to have it sent to me for confidential perusal and return. I shall take the opportunity of studying the papers when next I go to meet you.

I remain,
Yours Sincerely,

M. H. Gravslay

To

R. Ranga Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Myso
General Department,
B a n g a l o r e.

Telegram.

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Ralph Nye Esquire,

Executive Member,

John Taylor Sons Committ

Oorgaum.

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Government approve of suggestion made in your letter dated eleventh instant proposals of Mr. Srinivasan will be taken ~~up~~ for final considerati on after your return in August.

Chief Secretary. "

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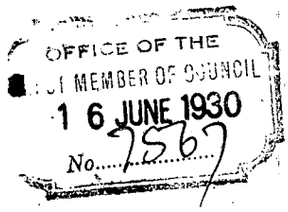

Dear Mr. Ralph Nye,

I am desired to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your letter dated the 11th instant and to state that Government accept your suggestion and will arrange that the proposals that may be formulated by Mr. M.A. Srinivasan are taken up for final consideration, only after your return from England in August next.

A Copy of telegram sent by me today to the above effect, is also enclosed.

Yours sincerely

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To

Ralph Hye, Esq.,
Executive Member
Messrs. John Taylor & Sons
Committee, Oorgaum.

Sent for approved
First Member 16/6

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16-6-30

Mr Nye is expected to leave Oorgaum tomorrow. So a draft telegram is also put up for favour of approval if necessary

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Camp Mysore 17th June 1930.

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Yours sincerely,

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To

Ralph Nye, Esq.,
Executive Member, Messrs. John Taylor & Sons Committee, & Sons
Oorgaum.

Secret

CB 4275

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June. 11. 1930.

CB 171-9-7

Dear Mr. Madhava Rao,

I had a long and pleasant talk today with Mr. M. A. Sreenivasan.

Since I saw you recently I have had to change my own plans and I am now under orders to proceed to London next week to consult with the Directors on the situation here arising out of the strike. I mentioned this to the Dewan last week when I saw him and expressed my regret that I shall be away during the period of Mr. Sreenivasan's stay here.

This is a matter of very considerable concern to me because in the absence on leave in England of my Chief Assistant it will not be so easy to give the facilities to Mr. Sreenivasan that I should like to give. I will endeavour to arrange with my colleagues, the Superintendents of the Mines, to give Mr. Sreenivasan every assistance but I have suggested to him and do so now to you if I may, that Government may possibly find it convenient to treat this as a preliminary stage of Mr. Streenivasan's work and then allow a short interregnum when he could resume in August. The advantages of such proposal are :-

I shall be back in August as my visit to London will be a very short one indeed.

Mr. A. V. Ramanathan may also I suppose be likely to be available then and I know that he had several matters of interest on his mind.

The results of enquiries which we are making through Sub Committees will be available. This is an important point because the results of these Committees' work should have a considerable bearing on the situation.

My visit to London is solely concerned with these matters and there again certain of the results of my visit should be of interest to Mr. Sreenivasan. This is so much so that I did mention to the Dewan that possibly the stage of final conclusion might be held over until after my return which would also be gratifying to Messrs. John Taylor & Sons.

I had fully intended to get into Bangalore to explain matters personally to you and to say good bye, but I find that you are fully taken up in Mysore City and to my regret therefore I shall miss seeing you.

Yours sincerely,

N. Madhava Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Chief Secretary to Government,
BANGALORE.